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IN THE CLAIMS

Please consider the claims as follows:

1. (Currently amended) A method for targeting programming according to subscriber preferences, comprising:

propagating, via a forward application transport channel (FATC), a plurality of video streams representing respective pages of an interactive program guide (IPG), each IPG page depicting programming associated with a respective pair of channel groups and time slots;

polling the plurality of terminals for the trend data;

receiving, via a back channel, subscriber selections associated with at least one IPG page;

determining trend data associated with accumulated subscriber selections; and adapting at least one IPG page in response to said determined trend data.

- 2. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein each received subscriber selection corresponds to an event, the method further comprising: stamping each event with a time of occurrence for the event.
- (Original) The method of claim 2, further comprising:
 associating each event with a source where the event occurred.
- 4. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the collected trend data is received periodically.
- 5. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the trend data is received in response to a request for the trend data.
- 6. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the trend data includes user interaction at the subscriber equipment.

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- 7. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the trend data includes user demographic information.
- 8. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the trend data includes subscriber selections for specific programming choices.
- 9. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the trend data is indicative of subscriber preferences for programming.
- 10. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the subscriber selections include a selection for a particular filter icon from among a plurality of filter icons provided in a user interface presented at a set top terminal (STT).
- 11. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the subscriber selections include a selection for a particular program provided to a set top terminal (STT).
- 12. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the subscriber selections include a request for a particular program to be provided to a set top terminal.
- 13. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the subscriber selections include user navigation through a user interface.
- 14. Cancelled.
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- 16. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising: determining statistical information for the received trend data.

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- 17. Cancelled.
- 18. (Currently amended) The method of claim [[17]] 1, wherein the plurality of terminals are randomly selected for polling.
- 19. Cancelled.
- 20. Cancelled.
- 21. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein each received subscriber selection corresponds to an event at a set top terminal (STT), and wherein the trend data includes a plurality of events collected at a plurality of terminals.
- 22. (Previously presented) The method of claim 21, further comprising:
 categorizing the plurality of events into time of day at which the events occurred.
- 23. (Previously presented) The method of claim 21, further comprising: categorizing the plurality of events into day of week in which the events occurred.
- 24. (Previously presented) The method of claim 21, further comprising: categorizing the plurality of events by geographic regions in which the events occurred.
- 25. (Withdrawn) A method for providing information in an information distribution system, comprising:

receiving trend data based on user inputs at a plurality of terminals; analyzing the trend data in accordance with one or more categories; and

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delivering contents to the plurality of terminals based at least in part on the analyzed trend data.

- 26. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 25, wherein the trend data includes demographic information collected for the plurality of terminals.
- 27. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 25, further comprising:
 selecting and targeting contents for delivery to the plurality of terminals based on the analyzed trend data.
- 28. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 27, wherein the targeted contents include advertisements or programming, or a combination thereof.
- 29. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein: said adapting comprises at least one of removing and adding programming from an IPG page.

Claims 30-32. Cancelled.